IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Douglas A. SCHEIN et al.

Group Art Unit: 3734

Application No.: 10/646,801

Examiner:

D. YABUT

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Docket No.:

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For:

CANNULAS, CANNULA MOUNT ASSEMBLIES, AND CLAMPING

METHODS USING SUCH CANNULAS AND CANNULA MOUNT ASSEMBLIES MAIL STOP RCE

SMALL ENTITY REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicant(s) hereby request(s) continued examination.

Applicant(s) further request(s) entry and consideration of the attached submission.

The above-identified application was filed on or after June 8, 1995. Thus, entry is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(d).

Attached hereto is our check no. 226036 in the amount of \$\infty\$ \$405.00 as payment of the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated for this filing to Deposit Account No. 15-0461.

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